February the 11. Numb. 18.

Weekely Newes,

Containing theſe particulars:

A Proclamation publiſhed by the States, for the apprehending of the Conſpirators of the late intented horrible Treaſon againſt the whole State of the vnited Prouinces, and againſt the King and Queene of *Bohemia*, and their Children; with ſeuerall Letters concerning the plot, annexed to this preſent weekes Relation, &c.

The generall meeting appointed by the Emperor in *Auſtria* and the Land of *Ens*.

The murther committed on the perſon of the Lord of *Polnitz* (hauing beene Ambaſſador of the Duke of *Saxony*) at *Regenſpurg*.

The execution at *Iſpruck* of a Proteſtant Preacher who made a braue end, and died very reſolutely.

The Propoſitions made by the Ambaſſadors of the Elector of *Saxony* before the Emperor at *Regenſpurg*.

The anſwer vpon them in the name of his Imperiall Maieſtie.

The reſolutions of the Electors of *Collen*, *Mentz*, and *Trier*, touching the Election of the new Elector.

The Propoſitions of the Emperor at the Dyet.

With diuers other ſpeciall occurrences.

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VVEEKLY NEWES.

From Rome, Decemb. 31.

IT is aduiſed out of *Spaine*, that the Duke of *Veeda* is fined in a great ſumme of mony, and his whole eſtate taken from him, by reaſon of his ill gouernment. Likewiſe that there were periſhed diuers men, and the moſt part of the Veſſels of the *Indian* Fleet, being loaden with wedges of ſiluer belonging to the Merchants, but ſome ſhips haue ſaued themſelues in a certaine Port. Of the other Fleet we haue no certainty.

The new Vice-roy of *Naples*, namely the Duke of *Alba* is arriued at *Puzzuola*, and the late Vice-roy went the 22. of this Moneth with 2. Galleons towards *Genoa*. The Bandits or baniſhed men in *Calabria* haue taken lately *Signior Octavio Spinola* and haue ſet him vpon a great ranſome.

From Venice, Ianuary 6.

Mounſeur Caſſati Spaniſh Ambaſſador hath confirmed the agreement of the *Griſons* with *Spaine*, their Commiſsioners haue promiſed to keepe no League with any Potentate which ſhall not be of the Houſe of *Auſtria*: whereupon they haue gotten a pardon, and are reſtored to their goods, but are quite barred from the gouernment

of the Country. Yet there is a great confuſion at *Chur*, ſome of them not being reſolued to forſake quite the League with *France* made.

From Vienna, Ianuary 8.

Although God bleſſed the laſt yeare very plentifully this Archdukedome, with all kinde of neceſſary victuals for mans life, neuertheleſſe here is now a great dearth, ſo in regard of the vſuall hoording vp, as in conſideration of the mint, or coines which they feare ſhall fall. Wherefore his Imperiall Maieſty, to remedy this inconuenience, hath ſent hither Patents vnder his owne hand writing from *Regenſpurg*, which are here affixed, the ſubſtance whereof is, that neither now nor afterwards he intended to appoint any alteration, and much leſſe an abatement or fall of the coyne, but would ſuffer it to goe at ſuch rates as it is now currant: he deſired moreouer that the richer ſort would in a Chriſtian compaſsion make reaſonable payments to the poore, and promiſed to auoid the dearth to order the prices of things.

On New-yeares day went the Prince (ſonne of the Emperour) to a ſolemne ſeruice made by the Ieſuites.

His Imperiall Maieſty hath appointed the States of this Duchy, and of the Land of *Ens*, to meete here the 18. of *February*.

From Prague, Ianuary 10.

Here are lately Patents affixed, and the contents of the former Edicts concerning the Coine repeated or reiterated, commanding on paine of life & death, not to demand any higher rates eyther for

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ſiluer or gold coine, then are here before allowed, *viz. The Ducket 6. florin. 45. kr. The Crowne of gold 5. fl. 40. kr. The gold gilder 4. fl. ½. The Rixdaller 4. flor. 30. kr. And the old Imperiall daller of gold 3. fl. 32. kr.* Likewiſe his Maieſtie hath giuen order that the ſeuerall kindes of coine brought out of the *Lower Auſtria, Morauia* and *Sileſia* (hauing been rumored here before, that they ſhould be put downe and forbidden, whereby the conueying of victuals was ſtayed) ſhall ſtill goe currant as they are valued.

From Regenſpurg, Ianuary 11.

The 6. of this preſent Moneth was about the Euening here killed the Lord *Hans Georg* of *Polvitz* euen by one of his owne men with a knife in a drunken humor. He is buried within the ſpace of three dayes afterwards by the directions of the Ambaſſadors of *Saxony*. His man is to morrow to be executed, and ſhall haue his right hand cut off, and be afterwards beheaded; but ſome are of opinion that he ſhall be quartered.

The Biſhop and Elector of *Mentz* hath receiued the 9. of this Moneth the Regalia or Royalties of his Archbiſhopricke from his Maieſty (who was adorned at the ſame time with his Imperiall Iewels) with all the vſuall Ceremonies, the Archbiſhop of *Saltzburg*, and the Landgraue of *Darmſtadt* aſſiſting him. Afterwards dined with his Maieſty, beſides the Electors and Princes, the Duke *Francis Albrecht* of *Saxen Lowenburg*, & the yong Prince *Chriſtian* of *Anholt*: after dinner there was a Beare baiting ſhowne vnto them, to the Em-

preſſe and Ladies of the Court. The Prince of *Anholt* aforeſaid is quite diſcharged in the preſence of diuers Lords, without any limitation or preſcription.

The 10. is the Imperiall propoſition made in the Anticamera or priuy chamber of the Emperor, whereupon they returned all homewards, and are now deliberating vpon the matter. The Duke *Maximilian* of *Bauaria*, and the Duke of *Newburg*, & their Dutcheſſes, are here expected to morrow.

From Wurtzburg the 14. *of Ianuary.*

Within 1. 2. and 3. leagues of this Towne in the *Wertheim* are enquartered the Counts of *Caſtel*, and *Leuchtenberg*, and in the villages belonging to the Nobility and Gentry, are lodged diuers *Bauarian* Souldiers.

From the Hage the 11. *of Ianuary.*

The Commiſſioners which are ſent hitherwards out of *Eaſt Frieſland* are ſtill here, and we expect other from the Towne of *Emden*. It continueth ſtill that the States are making a league with *Eaſt Frieſland*, and there ſhall be ſome Commiſſioners ſent hence to Count *Mansfield* to take an order that the Country people in *Emdenland* may bee better vſed of the Souldiers. It is likewiſe reported that the States will agree with Count *Mansfield* for his ſeruice of three months more to come, ſeeing the Spaniſh approach them on euery ſide.

Out of Amſterdam.

As ſoone as the Duke *Chriſtian* of *Brunſwicke* was departed toward *Emdenland*, the States haue ſent hither certaine Companies of Souldiers, to

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assure themselues of the Castles of the Count of *Emdenland*.

To day it is published here for the second time from the Towne-house, that euery one shall make his pole money ready, and pay it within the prefixed time, vpon pain of the forfeture of 4. Florins.

The Viceroy which is imprisoned at *Flißingen*, shall be dismist against our men which are in the hands of our enemies.

From Rees, Ianuary 12.

There are lately 4000. men of the Spanish side marched ouer the Riuer of *Lippe* with 3. pieces of Ordnance, whitherwards they intend to goe, or what to doe, we know not. Our Souldiers make likewise many excursions, they meet many times and hinder the designes one of another.

They of *Goch* haue beene ilately in the *Betuwe*, (which is an Iland wherein the Towne of *Bommell* lyeth, situated betwixt the two Riuers, *viz.* the Rhyne and the Maze) and tooke there 4. persons, of whom they demanded a great ransome; but our Garison of the *Graue* met them, and rescued the prisoners.

Out of the Land of Marcke, Ian. 19.

The horsemen which haue conueyed the mony to *Lingen*, are returned againe into their Garisons, and demand 5. Rixdallers apeece for their iourney, hauing beene 10. dayes abroad: And the Garison within *Lingen* was likely to reuolt or mutinie for want of pay, but it is now auoyded.

The towne of *Dortmondt* fearing to be surprised of

of the enemies, is to take yet 400. Souldiers into their Garison.

From Brussels, Ianuary 14.

Letters from *Paris* aduise, that the Citizens made there great preparation to receiue the King. They of *Nismes* and *Castres* continue to fortifie their wals: and the King caused the Forts about *Rochell* to be prouided with munition and victuals. Relating moreouer that it was rumored that the French King would take the part of the *Grisons*, and was resolued to send into *Spaine* the Cardinall *Surdis* and *Monseur-le Grand* to *Brussell*, as his Ambassadors.

We vnderstand from *Madrill* that the Fleet of the Merchants was arriued at Saint *Lucas*, but they had no newes yet of the *West India* Fleet.

It is thought that the Marquesse *Spinola* will soone march vp, seeing the Souldiers are leuied daily. The Baron of *Beanois* is gone toward *Burgundy* to supply there his Regiment. The Baron of *Balanzon* is to follow him likewise to strengthen his Regiment of *Burgonnons*. And here are diuers Lords which offer to leuie Regiments at their owne charges, if the King of *Spaine* will maintaine them afterwards in his seruice. So that by all likelihood there will bee great warres this next Summer. It is here reported that *Don Lewis de Valasco, Count* of *Salazar*, is to goe into *Spaine*, and shall be made a Viceroy by the King of *Spain* in one of his Kingdomes.

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From Lipsich the 14. of Ianuary.

VPon the 27. of this Moneth, old Stile, is the corps of the Mother of the Elector of *Saxony* to be transported hence towards *Friburge*, where it shall be intombed the next day: We heare not as yet whether our elector intends to goe to *Regenspurg*, but it is reported that the Elector of *Brandenburg* maketh great preparation to appeare at the Dyet in person.

From Collen the 16. of Ianuary.

LEtters sent out of *Antwerpe*, relate that certaine horse with a Regiment of Italians, Spaniards and Wallowns, were set thence ouer the Riuer (neere the said City) called the *Scheld*, and tooke their way towards Gant or Gent (as the Low Countrimen call it) and other places thereabout. They report moreouer, that the forces of the States were lately seene about the Fort *Philippina*, and intended to make thence an inrode into Flanders.

The speech goeth that certaine Crabats which are vnder the command of the Baron of *Anholt*, haue pillaged the souldiers of the States which had surrendred the Fort of *Papenmutz*, saying that they were imperiall soul-

diers, and had nothing to doe with the Spaniſh or their promiſes and agreements, ſeeing they had promiſed them ſafety and a conuoy vnto the Frontiers of the States: And we heard before that Captaine *Rode* was conducting them homewards with a conuoy of foure hundred men.

From Frankefurt the 21. *of Ianuary.*

THe twelfth of this moneth is the Lord *Iohn Bernart* Schenck of *Sweinsberg*, elected to be head and Prince of the Biſhopricke of Fuld or Fulda, and conducted and ſetled in the houſe of reſidence or dwelling, which belongeth thereunto.

Wee haue here tidings that vpon the tenth of this moneth, the Electors of *Saxony* Letter was deliuered at *Berlin*, (this is the Court of the Marqueſſe of *Brandenburg*) wherewith he intreated the ſaid Marqueſſe to come to his Mothers Funerall; and in regard of this it is thought that both their iournies towards *Regenſpurg* are gone backe.

Out of the Bundten or Griſons the 10. *of Ianuary.*

THe three and twentieth of this Moneth are two Preachers of the Griſons, which were

we impriſoned at *Iſtruck* ſet at liberty, the one is named *Iohn van Porta*, the other *Caſpar Alex*, they are now both in the Towne of *Zurich*, but Maſter *Blaſius Alexander* (who was likewiſe a Preacher, and the chiefeſt of them) could not obtaine his enlargement or deliuery, but hee was inſtantly condemned and executed to death. Firſt of all was his right hand cut off, and afterwards his body beheaded. When they alleadged that hee was the cauſe of the death of *Pompeo Planta*, hee denied it openly, and proteſted that they wronged him. Afterwards they obiected that he was a Caluinian Miniſter. Wherupon he laught and ſpoke to the people, that it grieued him to ſee them liuing in ſuch abominable idolatry, and great darkeneſſe, but the Magiſtrate commanded preſently certaine Drummes to bee ſounded to hinder the ouer-hearing of his ſpeech: hee went neuertheleſſe reſolutely on, as a man who had no feare, and made many to perceiue his innocency, and to pitty him. When they would tye his right hand to cut it off, he would not ſuffer it, but laid it freely of himſelfe ſtraight out, and kept it ſtill (as one not fearing death) vntill it was cut off; neither would hee ſuffer any cloth to bee tyed before his eyes, expecting the blow with a couragious or vnfainted heart.

An Abstract out of a secret Letter written from Regenspurg, the 4. of Ianuary.

TO day it is eight daies past that the Ambassadors of the Elector of Saxony haue made their proposition, wherein was demanded the restoring (vnto the Protestants) of their forbidden and shut Churches, and assurance of the liberty and free exercise of Religion.

They related moreouer, that his Highnesse was enformed or aduised, that his Imperiall Maiesty would take the Electorall dignity from the Prince *Palatine*, and bestow it vpon a Roman Catholike Prince, but that hee (their Master) could not beleeue that his Maiestie would doe any thing against the Constitutions or Statutes and Ordinances of the Empire. Neuertheleſſe that his Highnesse (hauing vnderstood the practises which certaine turbulent spirits did intend to produce to effect: he intreated his Maiesty not to permit or suffer that any thing should be done against the Constitutions of the Empire (which hee hath sworne to keep) to preuent that in the Empire bee not a greater bathe of bloud caused then there was euer before, which otherwise were likely to happen, if his Maiesty against his former promise would root out the reformed Religion, and take no care of the Constitutions of the Empire.

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Wherefore was his Highneſſe reſolued (as a faithfull Prince and Elector of the Empire) to giue his Maieſty onely this warning, that if he would follow the Counſells of the Popes Nuncio, and other, the Princes and ſtates of the reformed Religion would proteſt againſt it and oppoſe themſelues.

Vpon theſe Propoſitions cauſed the Emperor this following anſwer by the Count of *Hogen Soller* to be made vnto the Ambaſſadors aforeſaid, *viz.* that the promiſes concerning the Religion were not broken, and that his Maieſty concerning this point gaue his Highneſſe full ſatisfaction. And concerning the Palatinate and the Electorate thereof, therein ſhould nothing bee done without the knowledge of his Highneſſe.

His Maieſty deſired only that the Ambaſſadors would moue their Maſter to come in perſon at the Dyet.

Since haue the Ambaſſadors aforeſaid vrged a finall reſolution, but they haue gotten none at this houre. The Ambaſſadors aforeſaid haue giuen diuers warnings that his Highneſſe accounts this preſent warre to be a warre for the Religions ſake. And deſired therefore that his Maieſty would endeuour himſelfe to worke the peace and common tranquillity, and to quench the kindled fire or diſſention, not harkning after any ſtrange Counſels.

Hereupon haue the ſpirituall Electors councelled his Maieſty to endeuour himſelfe to giue all kind of ſatisfaction and contentment to the Elector of Saxony. But ſeeing that this is a matter of great conſequence, his Maieſty hath diſpatcht ſeueral Poſts about the ſame towards Rome and Spaine. Beſides this, there is nothing elſe done.

It is thought that his Imperiall Maieſtie will remoue the Dyet to *Nurenburg* or *Prague*, and that the Dyet is likely to breake on a ſudden vp.

From Paris the 16. of Ianuary.

THe Proteſtants in *France* doe their vttermoſt endeuour to accompliſh all things agreed betwixt the King and them. But his Maieſty kept ſtill all his ſouldiers in his ſeruice, and leuied daily more. It is reported that his Maieſty will ſet the Griſons in their former ſtate either by way of armes or otherwiſe.

From Amſterdam the 29. of Ianuarie.

WE haue here aduice out of *Emdenland* that the Garriſons were daily diminiſhed

ſhed, and ſent towards the Countie of *Oldenburg*. They expected there daily the Commiſſioners of the Lords, the States Generall of the Vnited Prouinces, to order all things there. In the meane time is there a generall meeting appointed in *Emden*.

The Marqueſſe *Spinola* hath lately beene at the Abbey of Saint *Bernard* (which lieth not farre from *Antwerpe*) to ſuruey the place and to command a Fort there to be raiſed: And it was rumoured in the Citie of *Antwerpe* that he was taken by the horſe of the States, but there came afterwards newes that he was departed thence a little while before their arriuall there; neuertheleſſe the horſe aforeſaid had taken certaine other priſoners thence with them.

The ſouldiers which are lately come into the Citie of *Antwerpe*, keepe there the watches at the Gates of the Citie, to the great diſcontentment of the Citizens, fearing that they ſhall be quite ouer-ruled of them: there is little trading and ſmall gaine to be made, whereby the ſaid ſtately or daintie Towneſmen are likewiſe mightily diſpleaſed.

We vnderſtand out of *Braband* that certaine incendiaries or fierers are ſent into *Holland* (to ſet Houſes and Ships on fire.) The Magiſtrate of this Citie of *Amſterdam* hauing gotten notice

tice of it, hath by a publicke Proclamation charged all their Inhabitants to looke after them, and commanded moreouer all Innekeepers or other which lodge any persons, to deliuer vnto the Magistrate all the names perfectly of them that shall come to lie in their houses.

Wee haue learned since by a priuate letter written from *Amsterdam* the 24. of this Month, that the Magistrate was aduertised that 25. of those fire makers were sent towards Holland.

From Regenspurg the 4. of Ianuary.

THe Duke of Bauaria is not as yet come hither, and it is spoken openly that the Bishops of *Collen*, *Mentz*, and *Trier*, are not willing that an other Elector should be chosen. Yesterday there happened a great mischance to the Lord of *Polnitz*, who hath beene a great while Ledger at *Brussell* for the Elector of *Saxony*, and had gotten in the said Court notice and experience of diuers matters, and was but lately come thence, to meete heere the Ambassadours of *Saxonie*.

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The Duke of *Newburg* was to returne towards his Country, the Elector of *Mentz* and diuers Ambaſſadors of the Proteſtants, were likewiſe ready to goe homewards.

In the meane time were the Ambaſſadours of the Elector of *Saxony* very earneſtly ſolliciting the Emperour for the reſtitution of the Churches of the Proteſtants, the free exerciſe of their Religion in *Bohemia*, but they haue not gotten as yet an abſolute or finall reſolution, which cauſed much diſcontentment.

The Duke of *Bauaria* is leuying in the land of *Ens* 18000. men, they ſhall be muſtred there likewiſe, and he himſelfe is there daily expected.

From Cullen the 16. of Ianuary.

Vntill this time they haue in vaine expected at *Regenſpurg* the perſonall arriuall of the Elector of *Saxony*, which will cauſe little good.

The Count of *Tilly* is gone in perſon towards the Dyet of *Regenſpurg*.

The Duke of *Saxony* hath cauſed Proclamations to be affixed, wherewith hee commaundeth all his Subiects which are in the Warlike ſeruice of the Emperour, or any other Prince or Lord, to come home vpon paine of life and good: to what purpoſe wee know not.

From Amſterdam the 24. of Ianuary.

Out of *Fraunce* is written, that the Spaniſh were with 6000. men marcht vp againſt the Griſons, and that after the Count of *Sultz* was directly entred into the ſeruice of *Spaine*, all the principall places were

furniſhed with Spaniſh Gariſons. And the King of *Fraunce*, the Duke of *Sauoy*, and eſpecially the Signorie of *Venice*, ſhould thereby be mightily diſpleaſed, and that likely thereby ſhould raiſe a heauy Warre, ſeeing the three States aforeſaid wil not let matter ſo to paſſe. And there are already ſent 300000. Crownes at *Solathorn* in *Swiſſerland* to leauie Souldiers.

Letters out of *Zealand* make mention, that our men of Warre and they which are gone forth with Letters of Mart, haue taken 10. Ships, which were richly loaden with Sugar, Wooll, Salt, and Spaniſh Wines.

From Franckfurt the 12. of Ianuary.

They write from *Regenſpurg* that the Dyets continueth ſtill, and that there are handled certaine propoſitions touching the Prince *Palatine*, and how the Emperour ought to proceede againſt thoſe which haue beene Aſſiſtants againſt the Emperour in his Warres.

How to deale with ſuch as haue beene Neutrals, and haue not ayded the Emperour.

How that in the beſt manner a contribution may be made for the Emperour, to ayde him therewith in his Warres.

Mauritius the Landgraue of *Heſſen* is denied inueſture from the Emperour for his Lordſhips which he holds of the Emperour, notwithſtanding the Elector of *Saxony* hath interceeded for him, but it hath done him no good.

Prince *Lodowick*, brother of the Prince *Palatine*, ſtands in the ſame caſe as his brother for his lands.

VVEEKELY NEVVES.

Translated out of the High *Dutch Copie.*

From Rome the 7. of Ianuary. 1623.

THE Prince of *Condy* who treated about matters of great waight with the Pope, hath beene feasted very stately by his Holinesse, besides the Cardinall *Lodouisio*: He goeth now to view all the memorable things in this Citie, and amongst the rest he visited last Sunday the 7. Churches, and on Thursday the Iesuites and the Cardinall *Bendinagli*: Hee hath sent some of his trayne backe againe towards *Loretta*, being resolued to follow them shortly, to accomplish his conceiued vow, in regard of his first borne Sonne, at his returne.

We vnderstand from *Naples* that the Duke of *Alba* (whom the King of *Spaine* hath appointed to be Vice-roy of that Kingdome) was there receiued of the Inhabitants with great pompe and state. *Don Iulio Genueno*, who was arrested, and clapt vp in the time of the Duke of *Offuna*, is confined during his life within the walles of *Orano* by a iudgement. It is prohibited to weare any Pistols or short Peeces, and concluded to expell all the Vagrands or Bandits: and there is likewise commanded, that much be made of all Strangers which shall arriue into that Kingdome.

From Venice the 13. of Ianuary.

From *Genua* is confirmed the arriuall of the Indian Fleet at St. *Lucar* in *Spaine*, but that 6. Ships of it were drowned, and three other beaten by their Enemies: saying moreouer, that the Gold and Siluer Fleet lyeth still at *Harana*; the losse of the Ships aforesaid amounts to 300000. Crownes, but certaine goods were saued out of them.

There was also lately arriued at *Lisbon* in *Portugale* the Ship called the Paradice, comming out of the East Indies, and was loaden with Spices, Muske, and 24. Basels of Diamonds. In *Spaine* was also a generall Taxation published of 5. in the hundred.

The Grizons haue published at *Chur* by the sound of the Drum, that they will stand to the Articles which were concluded in *Millaine*: Hereupon hath the Gouernour of *Millaine* promised to discharge them of the Garrison in *Veltolin*, and giuen order that they may carry into their Countrey 10000. Horse loade of Grayne.

They are expecting dayly at *Millaine* diuers Commissioners from the two Confederations, as likewise from *Mayefeld*, and the Confederation of the Hospitall, and it is thought that from euery place there will be sent 5. seuerall Commissioners.

About *Altorf* in Switzerland, there gather many Souldiers: there are likewise arriued 14. Mules loaden with money comming out of France to *Solithurn*; and the Grizons vnderstand and report, that they will not meddle with *Veltolin*, but will be content that the two Kings in regard of that Countrey deale together one with another as they shall like best.

From

From Madrill the 1. *of Ianuary.*

Yesterday are heere deceased Father *Iuan de Sancta Maria* of the Order of St. *Franciscus*, who was the Confessor of the *Infanta Dona Maria*, who liued a holy life, and wrote many excellent Bookes in his dayes; and *Don Diego Lopes de Azila*, who was one of his Maiesties priuy Counsellers, and was for a great while in regard of his olde age lodged in the Court.

The Duke *de Veeda*, who was fined to pay 20000. Duckets to the Kings Exchequer, and banished 20. leagues from the Court, but vpon his Replication there is ordered that hee shall goe to *Barcelona*, to defend and cleere himselfe there before the Viceroy of the place. His chiefe Stewardship of the Court, is giuen to the Duke of *Infantado*, and the Count of *Oliuares* is made Master of the Kings Horses in his place.

The Cardinall *Spinola* (Sonne to the Marquis) hath obtained the Bishopricke of *Fortosa*, with 14000. Duckets yearely reuenue: and the Cardinall *Rudolphi* a Bishopricke in the Kingdome of *Scicilia*, with a reuenue of 16000. Duckets yearely.

We heare nothing as yet of the arriuall or comming of the Galleons which are to bring the Siluer, God grant that they may arriue safely.

From Vienna the 11. *of Ianuary.*

The 15. of February are Writs heere sent out for the Austrian Diet or Parliament.

Yesterday hath the Magistrate heere rated or valued all Wares, and the workes or manifactures of Handicrafts-men, and especially the Victuals, and promised

miſed and declared moreouer, that if the Temporall Lords and other Knights, and principall Gentlemen, will not ſell their Graine (whereof the Common people had not need of heere before) that it ſhall be fetcht away by violence.

In this Countrey and Morauia hath his Maieſty commaunded that an agreement ſhall bee made for the payment of his Regiment of Foot. And there is giuen order that the Colonell *Fuchs*, or *Fox*, and his Regiment ſhall be payed in Morauia by the 400000. Florins which Morauia oweth vnto Auſtria. There ſhall likewiſe a pay of 5. Monthes be ſent towards the Frontiers about *Caniſia*, whereunto the Lieutenant Colonell Mr. *Preuner* is appointed.

From Prague the 14. *of Ianuary.*

The 8. of this Month arriued heere a Herbinger, and a Wardrobe (of his Imperiall Maieſty) comming from *Regenſpurge*, to make all thinges ready in his Maieſties Pallace againſt his arriuall, for the Chambers are mightily ſpoyled and diſordered ſince the laſt taking of *Prague*: The Quarter Maſter is to follow them likewiſe very ſhortly. The Landgraue of *Lichtenſtaine* Lord Deputy of Bohemia, is againe deadly ſicke.

From Regenſpurge the 17. *of Ianuary.*

The Electors and the Ambaſſadors heere preſent, conſult daily concerning the Propoſitions of the Emperour.

The laſt weeke came here the Duke of Bauaria, and to day the Ambaſſadors of the Elector of Brandenburg. His Maieſty hath ſent this day agoe, the Lord of

of Herberſtayne towards *Dreſden*, to the Funerall of the Electorall Widow, and becauſe there are diuers Princes together, he hath perſwaſiue Letters with him from his Imperiall Maieſty, to moue them to appeare at the Dyet in perſon.

Laſt Thurſday was the Frenchman which killd the Lord of *Polnitz*, beheaded before the Towne Houſe after that his head was firſt cut off, and his Head and hand beſides his knife wherewith hee ſtabd him, are placed vpon the Gate neare the bridge, but his corpes is buryed.

From Lipſich the 22. of Ianuary.

It is reported that the Elector of Brandenburgh, the Marquis *Chriſtian*, and the Duke *Philips* of Saxen Altenburg, are to come to *Dreſden*, to the Electorall buriall.

They write from *Erffurt*, that the forces of Saxen Altenburg lying thereabout, doe dayly more & more hurt with robbing and pillaging, and vſe greater extremities againſt the poore Husbandmen, then euer was heard of before: they torture and plague them with torments vntill they promiſe them money, in ſuch manner that many dye vnder their hands, but to be briefe, it is not to be ſpoken what wilfulnes they vſe. They haue taken lately certaine Carryers two miles thence, and ranſommed them for 1200. Rix-dollers, and they compelled them to leaue with them two Waggons with good loaden, vntill they had gotten the promiſed money at *Erffurt*, and contented them therewith, ſo that the wayes hereabouts are very dangerous.

From

From Spiers the 20. *of Ianuary.*

The Horſe of *Franckendale* ſalley daily foorth, and doe great hurt, comming vnto the Gates euen of *Spiers*; they take alſo the Safeguards and Husbandmen vnder the Biſhop of Spiers with them. Wherefore the Imperialiſts are reſolued to imblocke them with more Horſe. There are yet fiue Troupes of the Holſtayniſh Regiment to bee preſently layde in Garriſon into this Cittie, although heere are many Souldiers already: So that it is much to be feared that there will be greater Dearth.

From Prage, Ianuary 10.

They write out of *Morauia*, that certaine troups of Hungarians had inuaded the Country of *Morauia*: and that thereupon the Emperors Generall the Count *de Monte Negro* (who was there then) had ſent Poſtes abroad for ayd.

The Generall, *Don Balthaſar*, is here at this preſent.

Here grow daily all things dearer and dearer, the bread is made very ſmall, and the beere taxed higher, and we are likely to ſuſtaine want of fleſh and other victuals, ſeeing the Souldiers which lye vpon the Country conſume all, and ſtay the conueying of the prouiſion hitherwards, taking it from the Country people vpon the high-wayes.

It is rumored here, that all the warlike Forces in *Auſtria* and *Morauia*, ſhall bee ſent towards the land of *Heſſen* and *Weſtphalia*, to encounter with Count *Mansfield* and the Duke *Chriſtian of Brunſwicke*.

From Prage, Ianuary 21.

The 16. of this moneth the Rumour-maſter (as they call him there) or the Prouoſt Marſhall: which was appointed to cleere the high wayes, was hanged in his beſt apparell without this City neere a high way, becauſe he had robbed himſelfe the paſſengers and trauellers.

The Landgraue of *Lichtenſtaine*, our Deputy of *Bohemia*, recouereth now and then a little his health, but fals preſently in againe.

The 17. of this moneth there are two Companies of horſe ſent hence toward *Hungary*, to hinder the inuaſions of the *Hungarians* into *Morauia*. And it is reported that the Nobility and Gentry of *Bohemia* whoſe lands and goods haue beene confiſcated, ſhould bee ioyning themſelues together.

From Regenſpurg, Ianuary 25.

The 18. of this moneth arriued here the Ambaſſadors of the Elector of *Brandenburg*, and had the next day audience of his Maieſty. We expect here yet the perſonall arriuall of the Elector aforeſaid, and the Duke of *Soxony*.

The 24. of this moneth was here at the Diet a new Seſſion kept.

In *Voitland* come many Wolues together, and doe great hurt in the villages and other places.

From Franckfort, Ianuary 21.

All the Souldiers in the *Palatinate* and in the other places thereabout ſhall for the moſt part be ſent downewards to ioyne them with the Baron of *Anholt* and *Don Cordua*, and are to be employed againſt *Count Mansfield* and the Duke *Chriſtian of Brunſwicke*.

The Landgraue *Mauritius* of *Heſſen*, the Elector of *Saxony*, and diuers other Princes, haue made a league and vnion amongſt them, to maintaine themſelues the better againſt all new commotions in the Empire.

From Franckfort, Ian. 23.

Here commeth newes that the Elector of *Saxony* is fully reſolued not to goe to the Diet at *Regenſpurg*.

We

Wee vnderſtand likewiſe that the Landgraue *Mauritius* of *Heſſen* and the Elector of *Saxony*, haue renewed together their old confederation; and that the Elector of *Saxony* hath taken the Land of *Heſſen* in his protection, and hath commanded his ſafeguard to be affixed in al towns, villages, and Caſtles of the land of *Heſſen*.

From Amſterſtam, Ian. 31.

We haue here newes out of *Spaine* that there were arriued diuers ſhips from ſeuerall places, but there was ſmall trading, becauſe the ſiluer Fleet (for which they mightily long in *Spaine*) was not yet come, but they feare mightily that it hath receiued great hurt by tempeſt. The *French* King ſtrengthens himſelfe yet dayly, and it is thought that the hath caſt an eye vpon *Veltolina*.

Out of *Emdenland* we haue tidings that Count *Mansfield* and the Duke *Chriſtian of Brunſwick*, are marcht with all their Forces through the land of *Oldenburg*, to encounter *Don Gonzales de Cordua*, who will ſit downe (as they ſay) with his Campe before *Halberſtadt*, which is the Biſhopricke belonging to the Duke *Chriſtian of Brunſwicke*.

Count *Mansfield* hath left ſtrong Gariſons before his departure in all the ſtrong holds vpon the Frontiers of *Emdenland*, or *Eaſt Frieſland*: and the Lord of *Dort* and Colonell *Kniphowſen* are to bring vnto them their new leuied Forces; ſo that it is thought that they will be together 25000. men ſtrong, partly horſe, partly foot.

Wi thin the towne of *Emden* there are yet lately ſent ſome Companies of the high and mighty

Lords, the States General of the vnited Prouinces.

Wee heare from *Lingen*, that the Souldiers would haue mutined there, if there had not beene ſpeedy money ſent to pay them withall.

There are in thoſe parts daily leuied, and ſent abundance of Souldiers to the Duke *Chriſtian of Brunſwicke*.

From Collen, Ianuary 24.

The Souldiers of the Baron of *Anholt*, and the *Crabats*, haue pillaged the Souldiers which came out of the Fort of *Papenmutz*, ſaying that they were in the ſeruice of the Emperor, and had nothing to doe with the Spaniſh agreements or promiſes.

From Amſterdam, Ianuary 31.

The towne of *Dortmont* in *Weſtphalia* leuieth at her owne charges 500. ſouldiers: many other townes thereabout doe the like, and prouide themſelues with all kind of victuals and warlike prouiſion; they cauſe alſo their wals to be fortified, and keepe good watches to keepe the Spaniſh Forces out.

About the towne of *Bergen vp Zoom* are all the hils and ſmall mountaines razed to the ground and made plaine, and there is alſo ſet good order in all things, Moreouer, the great peece of Artillery which is called the *Dragon* is carried thence, with diuers other warlike inſtruments toward the *Hage*. There is againe appointed a general day of prayer & faſting throughout all the vnited Prouinces.

In

In *Sealant* are arriued certaine ſhips which were gone abroad with Letters of *Marckt*, and haue brought good prizes home. The States haue lately ſent their Ambaſſadors or Commiſſioners toward *Eaſt Frieſland*, to make an agreement betwixt the Count of *Emdenland* and the townes within his Dominion. And it is reported that the Count of *Mansfield* is entred anew into the ſeruice of the States of the vnited Prouinces for the ſpace of three Moneths.

The ſpeech goeth here that certaine ſhips of the *Weſt Indian* ſiluer Fleet were arriued in *Spaine*, but that the reſt periſhed by tempeſt.

From Prage, Ianuary 14.

All the Bauarian Souldiers which haue kept their winter Quarter in *Bohemia*, are commanded by the Duke of *Bauaria*, to come vpon his Frontiers, but to what purpoſe wee know not. There haue beene lately vpon the borders of *Morauia*, ſome Hungarian Troopes, which pillaged the Country.

From Regenſpurg, Ianuary 11.

Friday laſt about the euening the Ambaſſador or Leiger of the Elector of *Saxony*, the Lord *Iohan van Polnitz* (who came hither from *Bruſſell*) was ſtabd with a broad knife by his owne ſeruant a French-man, whom hee had entertained for the ſpace of three yeares in his ſeruice. The ſaid Ambaſſador died preſently after he was wounded, and the next Munday his corps was very ſtatelily buryed: the Chancelor of the Elector of *Saxony* is

his Brother. The Malefactor ſhall be executed to morrow, the Marſhall of the Empire hath ſpoken out his ſentence by the appointment of the Emperour.

Yeſterday his Imperiall Maieſty cauſed the propoſition to be made at the Dyet, the ſame can ſcant be written in 12. ſheets of paper, and is as yet kept very ſecret. And ſeeing the Duke of *Bauaria* comes hither to morrow, wee ſhall ſoone perceiue how matters will end.

From Regenſpurg, Ianuary 17.

The Electors, Princes, and Ambaſſadors here preſent, conſult daily together vpon the Imperiall Propoſition, which conſiſteth in ſixe principall points, as they ſay.

1 That the Emperour will honor the Duke of *Bauaria* with the Electorate.

2 In what manner he may be maintained and defended therein.

3 How the States (of the vnited Prouinces) may be endamaged and repreſſed.

4 How the *Turkes* and *Bethlem Gabor* when time ſhall ſerue may be reſiſted.

5 That the Religion according to the Confeſſion of *Auſpurg* may be eſtabliſhed anew.

6 How to bring the Mint againe to the former and low rates.

What now hereupon will be concluded time will ſhew.

Concerning the firſt point it is reported that there are made proteſtations and oppoſitions againſt

gainſt it. Firſt, by the Ambaſſador of the Brother of the Prince *Palatine*. Secondly, by the Duke of *Zweybrugg*: and thirdly, by the Count Palatine of *Newburg* (which is alſo enſtyled the Duke of *Newburg*) and is here returned backe againe. The Spaniſh Ambaſſador giueth him his voyce.

And it is to be conſidered, that the D. of *Bauaria* is a mighty Prince, and will claime perhaps this by deſert, and for ſeruices done to the Emperour and Empire. Wherefore it is very like that the Houſe of *Auſtria* to avoid all iealouſie (eyther for the time preſent or to come) of ſuch a mighty Prince, will rather giue way that ſome other ſhould haue it of leſſe power.

From Erffurt, Ianuary 11.

After that Duke *Frietz* or *Fridericke* of *Aldenburg* had certaine thouſands both of Horſe and Foot inquartered in the Villages about this town, they haue not onely pillaged the Country, but vſed alſo great tyranny in killing men, women, and Children, and caſt many innocent babes out at the windowes vpon the dunghils, vſing ſuch cruelties and extremities, that a ſtony heart would bee moued to pitty and commiſeration. Whereupon the Magiſtrate of this Citie wrote for ayd to the Dukes of *Coburg*, *Eyſenach*, *Weymar*, and other Counts and Lords bordering vpon their Frontiers or Confines. Hereupon they gathered preſently ſome forces and ſurpriſing them in the Villages aforeſaid, ſlew aboue 300. of *Aldenburgs* Souldiers, ſome of them fled afterwards away of themſelues.

Here

Here is ſuch pillaging and murthering and kil-ling one amongſt another, that ſometimes the Boers, and ſometimes the Souldiers haue the vpperhand.

The Elector of *Saxony* commanded the ſaid Duke of *Aldenburg* to diſpatch his Souldiers hence: but ſeeing hee did it not, the Citie kils them whereſoeuer they can be ſeene. Hereupon hath the Duke of *Aldenburg* ſent his letters of defiance to this Citie, which alſo ſtrengthneth herſelfe againſt him. And we make account that hee will deſire ayd of *Mounſeur Tilly*, which lyeth at *Fulda* ſeuen leagues hence. Here the Citizens are nimble, as ſoone as they ſee a Souldier hee is preſently ſlaine. And it is to be thought that they will beat the Prieſts and Ieſuites out of the Citie. And ſeeing it is vnderſtood that *Don Cordua* will ſet vpon the Biſhopricke of *Halberſtadt* (which belongeth to the Duke *Chriſtian of Brunſwicke*) the Creekes or Circuits of *lower Saxony* makes great warlike preparations.

The

The Proclamation of the States of *Holland*, concerning the late discouered Conspiracy and *Treason*.

SEeing that by the Court of Holland, there is discouered a wicked and detestable Conspiracy against the State and welfare of these Lands, and that amongst other the principall plotters and Instruments, haue beene these following, namely; *Henry Danielssen Slatius*, in times past Preacher at *Bleyswicke*: *Adrian Adriansen*, in former times Secretary of the same place: *Cornelius Gesteranus*, in times past Preacher at *Gorchim*, and *Gerardt Velsius*, in former time Preacher at *Rackangie*, and considering the said persons hide themselues, and are not to be found: The said Court giueth notice by these presents that if any one shall reueale and discouer any of these persons, or any other which are culpable of the same feate, and cause them to be deliuered into the handes of the Iustice or Magistrate, he shall be beguifted for each one of them with the sum of 4000. Karolus Gilders (which amount to 400. pound sterling) and for any one else with the summe

of 600. Karolus Gilders. And they ſhall moreouer be pardoned if they haue had a hand in the ſaid delict or crime. And it is likewiſe interdicted or prohibited by theſe preſents, to grant Lodging; Houſing, or abodement in any Gardens, or other places, to any of theſe foure perſons aforeſaid, or any other culpable perſons of their conſort, vpon paine of life and goods of thoſe which ſhall doe to the contrary. And they ſhall not be excuſed or exempted of the paine aforeſaid, although their infringement be firſt diſcouered many yeares afterwards. Giuen in the *Hage* the 9.th of February. *Anno Dom.* 1623.

It is Signed.

F. Criep.

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God

God be praiſed the 13. *of February*
Stylo N. in Rotterdam.
1623.

HEere in this Towne are diuers which haue touched the monyes of the ring-leaders of the Conſpiracy (of which I ſend you the Proclamation of the States) and amongſt the reſt, there are foure perſons which haue reueaied the Treaſon after they had gotten 300. Gilders (or 30. pound ſterling) a piece, and they were appointed to receiue more in the *Hage*. And it is reported that there were 24. principall contriuers of this Conſpiracy, which would haue ſet by violence vpon the Prince of *Orange*, his Brother Count *Henry*, and the King and Queene of Bohemia, and diuers other: and thought by three ſeuerall wayes to effect their wicked exploit or enterpriſe, and with the ayde of their Complices to bring this whole Land in a combuſtion, and vtter confuſion.

The Gates were heere yeſterday ſhut, and the Commiſſioners ſearched heere diuers Houſes, and it ſeemeth that there are many which know of the Conſpiracy. Heere are ſome which are ſuſpected, but ſeeing there are 9. or 10. apprehended, the other and their deſignes will be eaſily diſcouered. Heere are taken *Cornel is Koker* dwelling in the *Kipſtrat*, with the Sonne

of *Cornelis van Woerden*, who was a Notary in former time, and is guilty in this Conſpiracy. *N. vander Duſſen*, who is marryed with the Daughter of *Barneuelt*, (who was Penſionary or Recorder of this Towne, and the Brother of *Iohn van Olden barneuelt*) is fled, but his Wife and Seruants are kept i ſafe cuſtody. The two Sonnes of *Barneuelt* are likewiſe fled, beſides an Innekeeper named *Peter Broeck*, who dwelt without the *Hoffe Port*. Wee vnderſtand moreouer, that diuers are taken in the *Hage*, and doe now accuſe and appeach other Conſpirators.

ANO-

ANOTHER LETTER

LETTER WRITTEN FROM the *Hage* by a Gentleman of note,

concerning the laſt horrible and bloudy Treaſon intended againſt the whole State.

I Cannot but acquaint you with the ſtrange and horrible Treaſon practiſed by the olde Treaſon-mongers the Armenians, who hold the ſtaple of that commodity as hereditary from *Ignatius*, wherein the ſonnes of *Barnauell* could not in conſcience but follow their Fathers ſteps: the intent of their Treaſon was to kill his Excellencie, with many other, which as yet wee know not, and likewiſe to fire and blow vp all the Powder-houſes, and houſes of Amunition through the whole lands, and thereupon to bring in Graue *Henry Vandenberg*, and ſo to ſurpriſe the whole lands at an inſtant, which had it taken effect, I ſhould not haue had the fortune of *Iobs* vnlucky Meſſenger, to haue eſcaped aliue to tell you: but God be thanked the Traytors are preuented, and the lands preſerued, there are ſixteene of the prime taken, and there are Watch and Ward in all parts of the Lands for a number more. And this was diſcouered by three Saylours which were hired to be Actors, who had formerly ſerued in

his excellencie Ship, and hauing more honesty then the rest, acquainted his Excellencie of their entertainment and large promises, whereupon the first Traytours were taken, and the plot discouered. Thus wishingyour health, I rest euer yours.

Hage Feb. 10. 1622.

Scheidam the 11. *of February* 1623.

SIR, you shall know for certaine, that there hath beene an attempt of Treason against his Excellencies owne person: some opinion it farther against the State, the manner (as farre as my intelligence will leade me) was, that six men were hired to murder him in his Coach, returning from a Village a mile or two distant from the *Hage:* it was discouered by a Voluntary, who out of a guilt of his conscience ingeniously made confession to his Excellence: it is more then thought, that they are of *Barneuels* Arminian race, and that Connt *Henry Van-de-Berge*, who hath some light forces, before the skirts of *Sckensconce*, vpon notice of this Execution, was to fall on some part: nine of them are apprehended, but not yet tortured to any further discouery. The rumour is, that in many Townes of this land, fire was to haue proued its operation.

Also

ALſoo by den houe van Hollant ontdeckt is een ſeer growelycke and Schandelycke Conſpiratie tegens den Staet ende Welvaeren vant lant, ende dat daer van onder anderen beuonden worden mede belyders ende Aen-dryuers te ſyn Henrick Danielſſen Slatius geweeſene Predicant tot Bleſwyck: Adrian Adrianſen van Dyck geweeſeene Secretaris aldaer: Cornelius Geſteranus geweeſene Predicant to Gorchum: ende Gerardt Velſius eertyts Predicant in Rackangie, ende that all de ſelue perſoonen latiteren, ende ſulkz niet te becommen en ſyn. Soo iſt that t'voorſayde hof by deeſen eenen yegelycken ver witticht, dat de gene die de ſelue perſoonen, ofte eenige van dien, ofte oock andere die aent voorſayde ſoyt coulpabbel ſouden mogheu weeſen, ſal comen te openbaeren ende aenbrengen, ſulkz dat de ſelue leuendich in handen vande Iuſtitie mogen geraken, ſal vereert worden in regard vande voorſayde vier genomineerde perſoonen, met de ſom van 4000. *Karolus Gulden*, ende in regard van elcx vande andere culpable mette ſomme van ſes hondert gelycke guldens: Ende ſullen bouen alle t'ſelue genieten impuniteyt vant t'ſelue delict indien ſylieden daer mede aen ſchuldich ſouden mogen weſen. Ende wert oock mits deeſen allen ende een yegelycken well expreſſelyck geinterdiceert, ende verboeden, eenige vande

vandevoornoemde vier ofte oock van andere culpable perſoonen te logeren, huyſen, houen oft in eeniger manieren te herberghen, Op peyne van lyf ende goedt te verbeuren by den genen die beuonden ſal worden contrarie van dien gedaen te hebben. Sonder that eenich verloop van tyt, -all waſt oock van veele laren, henlieden eenich ſints te bate ſal kommen ofte verſchoonen. Gedaen inden Hage den negenden February Anno feſthien hondert drie ende twintich. In kenniſſe van my.

F. Criep.

Naer de Copye gedruct in's Grauen Hage.

BY de Weduwe ende Erffgenamen van Wylen Hillebrant Iacobſson van Wowe, ¦druckers Ordinaris vande Ed. Mog. Heeren Staten van Hollandt ende Weſt-Vrieſlandt.

Anno 1623.

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